

references made in this application to earlier filed applications, and was filed prior to June 8, 1995.

Applicants had filed a Notice of Appeal, which was received in the PTO on January 4, 1999. The two-month date for filing the Appeal Brief was March 4, 1999. Instead of the Appeal Brief, Applicants file this response under 37 C.F.R. 1.129. A request for a four (4) month extension of time to respond is also included herewith along with the required fee for the extension (\$680.00) and the fee for the submission under 37 C.F.R. §1.129 (\$380.00). This four (4) month extension will bring the due date to July 6, 1999 (because a federal holiday falls on Sunday, making July 5, 1999 a holiday), which is within the statutory period. Should such request or fee be deficient or absent, consider this paragraph such a request and authorization to withdraw the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 from Arnold, White & Durkee Deposit Account No. 01-2508/ARCD:177/WIM.

Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that the finality of the final rejection be withdrawn and the claims be considered in view of the remarks contained herein.

I. AMENDMENT

Please make the following amendments:

In the Specification:

At page 1, please delete the title "OPIOID RECEPTORS: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS" and insert therefor, --METHODS OF IDENTIFYING AGONISTS AND ANTAGONISTS OF OPIOID RECEPTORS--.

At p. 26, line 22, delete "if" and insert --of-- therefor.